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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL MEAT TRADE PROBLEMS: HONDURAS

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1. GOH REACTIONS TO REFTTEL ARE AGREEMENT THAT MEAT PROBLEM EXTREMELY SERIOUS FOR HONDURAS. WHILE HONDURAS SUPPORTS USG INITIATIVE HONDURAN CONCERN CENTERS ON POTENTIAL U.S. RESTRICTIVE ACTION AS INDICATED IN SEVERAL CONGRESSIONAL PRONOUNCEMENTS PROPOSING REIMPOSITION OF U.S. BEEF QUOTA SYSTEM OR OTHER MEASURES TO REDUCE U.S. IMPORTS.

2. HONDURAS, THEREFORE, TAKES POSITION THAT MULTILATERAL CONFERENCE TO INCLUDE AT LEAST CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE U.S. WOULD BE MORE DIRECT APPROACH TO SOLVE HONDURAN MARKETING PROBLEM. INCLUSION OF OTHER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES OR ALL COUNTRIES INVOLVED WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO GOH BUT LIKELIHOOD HONDURAS ABLE TO INFLUENCE DECISIONS IN GLOBAL FORM MINIMAL. SMALLER FORUM, GOH BELIEVES, MIGHT LEAD TO UNCLASSIFIED

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RESPONSE MORE DIRECTED TO HONDURAN PROBLEM.

3. HONDURAN EXPORTS TO THE U.S. IN 1973 ESTIMATED AT
17,633,000 KILOGRAMS WITH A VALUE OF \$19.4 MILLION. ESTIMATION
MADE IN CENTRAL BANK PROJECTIONS FOR 1974 PLACED VOLUME
EXPECTATION AT 20,410,000 KILOGRAMS AND VALUE AT \$26.9 MILLION.
THE ERROR OF THIS PROJECTION DUE TO MARKET DEVELOPMENTS FITS
BACK DIRECTLY INTO DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOREIGN EXCHANGE SHORTFALL.
FOR HONDURAS THIS SHORTFALL MAY APPROACH THE EFFECTS OF
INCREASED PETROLEUM IMPORT COSTS.
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